ERIE COUNTY TASK FORCE: HOSPITAL GROUP UPDATES

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ERIE COUNTY OPIOID OVERDOSE PREVENTION PROGRAM

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- ONGOING FOCUS
 - Ensuring naloxone access across WNY hospitals
 - FOSTERING RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN EMERGENCY DEPARTMENTS AND TREATMENT

RESOURCES



- SEVERAL MANAGERIAL CHANGES AT LOCAL HOSPITALS
 - New challenge that the task force is setup to handle
 - POTENTIALLY LOSE COMMUNICATION WITH A HOSPITAL FOR MONTHS.
 - COULD BE DEVESTATING
 - Have quickly changed hospital reps to ensure projects and communication continues

- NALOXONE DISTRIUBTION WITHIN THE HOSPITALS
 - EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT DISTRIBUTION IS WIDESPREAD
 - Blue kits have been difficult to obtain
 - INPATIENT DISTRIBUTION LACKING

- NALOXONE DISTRIUBTION WITHIN THE HOSPITALS
 - INPATIENT DISTRIBUTION IS LACKING IN MOST HOSPITALS
 - EDUCATING INPATIENT PROVIDERS AT CHS, KALEIDA, ECMC
 - EXPLORING EXPANDING AVAILABITY OF THE ADAPT PRODUCT (4MG/0.1CC)

- DETERMINE CONSISTENCY OF CARE FOR PATIENTS ON LONG TERM MEDICATIONS
 - Buprenorphine, Methadone, etc.
 - MOST HOSPITALS CONTINUING THESE AS INPATIENT
 - Dose verification and other safety measures.

- WORKING ON A GUIDE FOR ADMITTING TEAMS TO HELP WITH CHRONIC PAIN PATIENTS
 - LOOKING FOR PRE-EXISTING GUIDES
 - NYS? TREATMENT PROVIDER DRIVEN?

MAXIMIZING TREATMENT LINKAGE

• OPTIMIZING THE "HAND OFF"

- HOTLINE HAS HELPED
- TREATMENT PROVIDERS/ORGANZIATIONS ARE STEPPING UP
- ALL SERVICES NOT ALWAYS IMMEDIATELY AVAILABLE
- ADDICT TO ADDICT HELPING BRIDGE THE GAP BETWEEN HOSPITAL AND TREATMENT PROGRAMS/SCREENING
 - WE'VE OVERCOME BARRIERS NOW ALLOWING ADDICT TO ADDICT TO MEET PATIENT AT THE HOSPITAL

FINAL UPDATE — THANK YOU

- Thank you for allowing to lead the hospital group for the past 1.5 years
- SHIFTING HOSPITAL GROUP LEADERSHIP TO DR. LIZ FRANZEK
 - Undergraduate and Medical training at Cornell
 - EMERGENCY MEDICINE RESIDENCY TRAINING AT BELLEVUE/NYE

THANK YOU

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